

**RUSHVILLE CITY COMMON COUNCIL  
TUESDAY, MAY 18, 2010  
6:00 P.M.**

The Rushville City Common Council met on the above date and time at 270 W 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Bostic called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., with Allen Shelton, Darrin McGowan, Mike Buckley, Bill Goins and Cindy Humphrey answering role call. Also present were City Attorney, Ron Wilson, Mike Selke, WIFE Radio, and Melissa Conrad, *Rushville Republican*.

**MINUTES \* \* \* \***

Minutes of the May 3, 2010 meeting were presented for approval. Goins made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Shelton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC HEARING – Amend Zoning Maps from Residential 1 to Commercial/Mobile Home Park \* \* \* \***

Bostic opened the meeting for a public hearing on a petition filed by Lavonne Osborne requesting property located at 1003 West 3<sup>rd</sup> Street be rezoned from residential 1 to commercial and mobile home park. Bostic asked for questions or comments from the public. There were none. Shelton made a motion to close the public hearing. Humphrey seconded the motion. The public hearing was closed.

Bostic then asked Council if they would like to act on the petition. Shelton made a motion to approve the petition to rezone. Goins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**MAYOR'S REPORT \* \* \* \***

- Bostic reported that he will be meeting with the State and contractor regarding the paving on Fort Wayne Road, Harcourt Way, and Benjamin Street to make sure everything is okay.
- Will be meeting tomorrow regarding the appraisal on 16<sup>th</sup> Street.
- Park Restaurant – Humphrey asked where we stand on the construction. Bostic said right now there is a hold on the construction. It looks as though the portion that is up will have to be taken down. They will need to get a permit from D & R and raise the construction up 2 feet. Humphrey asked if all exits will have to be handicap accessible. Bill Todd said that all public access exits would have to be handicap accessible.

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**CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT \* \* \* \***

Copley reported that the City made \$3,093.08 on the recent auction with the Rush County Booster Club.

She told Council that she has passed out budget forms to the department heads and asked them to have them turned in by June 14<sup>th</sup>.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT \* \* \* \***

Goins reported that there will be a ribbon cutting at the ball diamond tomorrow at 4:00 p.m. He thanked everyone for their help on the project.

There has been a request to re-name the basketball court at South Memorial Park after Butch Bartlett. The Park Board unanimously approved the request. Goins made a motion to approve re-naming the Courts for Bartlett. Buckley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Bostic said he had spoken with Marlin Ratekin and his graduating class will be having a reunion on June 17, 19, & 20 and they have agreed to pay for the sign. The plaque will be put up on one of those dates.

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS \* \* \* \***

**Police** – Cameron said there will be a blood draw on Tuesday June 11<sup>th</sup> for fallen officers. He said there are slots still available if anyone would like to participate.

**Fire** – Jenkins reported that 3 of 4 of the containers have been set on Smiley Avenue.

**CITIZEN CONCERNS \* \* \* \***

Bill Todd said he attended a seminar recently regarding levees. He said all levees are required to be accredited or certified. The Army Corp of Engineers did their annual inspection a few weeks ago. He said they are concerned if the city is doing the annual maintenance since there is no documentation. They were also very concerned because the electronic monitoring devise has been disconnected. There will be a meeting on Thursday morning to address these concerns.

Humphrey said when this meeting takes place she would like them to discuss the flooding problem in the newly annexed area near her residence. She said before

the annexation work was done this did not flood. Bostic said there was discussion of the possibility of establishing a tax to take care of storm water. The tax would be assessed to all residents with City water.

Bostic said he has had discussion with Butler Fairman for a possible retention pond to help alleviate the problem. Bostic said he will also discuss the problem with MD Wessler, the engineers on the project.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS \* \* \* \***

None.

**NEW BUSINESS \* \* \* \***

**Vacating Annexation of Wendy Barfield** – A request was received from Attorney, John Worth, asking the City to vacate the annexation of the property that was earlier annexed in anticipation of a business in this area. The property is owned by Wendy Barfield and she is not connected to City water. Bostic asked Council what they would like to do. McGowan made a motion to table for further information. Humphrey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Vacating Alley Behind Hospital** – Jemmy Miller said Brad Smith, Rush Memorial Administrator, asked if the City would vacate the alley behind the hospital. He also wants to put a gate at the end that would operate with employee keys. Ron Wilson said this is the entrance for Dollarhide Industries. There are also 6 resident's garages with entrances off the alley. After discussion it was the consensus of Council that they could not vacate the alley. The gate would be on the hospital property so that would not be a decision of the City.

**Claims** – Goins made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Buckley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There was no further business to come before Council; Shelton made a motion to adjourn. Humphrey seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

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MERVYN R. BOSTIC, MAYOR

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ALLEN W. SHELTON, MEMBER

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DARRIN L. MCGOWAN, MEMBER

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MICHAEL BUCKLEY, MEMBER

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WILLIAM R. GOINS, MEMBER

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CINDRA K. HUMPHREY, MEMBER

ATTEST:

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ANN L. COPLEY, CLERK-TREASURER